UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA BILLINGS DIVISION

KATHLEEN E. CAMARENA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

KILOLO KIJAKAZI, Acting Commissioner of Social Security Administration,

Defendant.

NO.: CV 1:22-129-BLG-SPW

ORDER

Plaintiff Kathleen E. Camarena ("Camarena"), by and through her attorney, John E. Seidlitz, Jr., moves under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. §2412(d), for attorney fees incurred in prosecuting her Social Security appeal (Doc. 17). Plaintiff initially requested \$6,969.20 in fees.

Defendant Commissioner of Social Security ("Commissioner") has been contacted and has stipulated to a reduced fee in the amount of \$6,819.20.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Defendant shall pay \$6,819.20 in fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. §2412.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if, after receiving the Court's EAJA fee order, the Commissioner (1) determines upon effectuation of the Court's EAJA fee order that Plaintiff does not owe a debt that is subject to offset under the Treasury

Offset Program, (2) agrees to waive the requirements of the Anti-Assignment Act, and (3) is provided a valid assignment of fees executed by Plaintiff, the fees will be made payable to Plaintiff's attorney and mailed to Plaintiff's attorney's office as follows:

Seidlitz Law Office P.O. Box 1581 12 – 6th Street South, 1A Great Falls, MT 59403-1581

However, if there is a debt owed under the Treasury Offset Program, the

Commissioner cannot agree to waive the requirements of the Anti-Assignment Act,
and any remaining EAJA fees after offset will be paid by a check made out to

Plaintiff, but delivered to Plaintiff's attorney.

DATED this 22 day of April, 2024.

SUSAN P. WATTERS U.S. District Court Judge